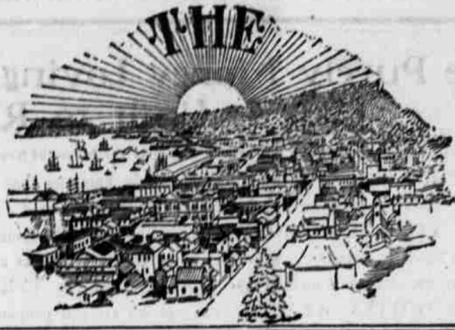


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## BREAK FOR FREEDOM FOILED

### GUARDS AND CONVICTS IN DESPERATE BATTLE

Three Louisiana Life Convicts Attempt to Escape and Deadly Battle Ensues in Which Convicts and Foreman are Killed.

### DESPERADOS TRY TO ESCAPE IN SMALL SKIFF

PRISONERS WOUND GUARD GIBSON AND TAKE HIS REVOLVER—SURPRISE FOREMAN BLOCK AND COMPELL HIM TO ACCOMPANY THEM—TRUSTY AND GUARD OGDEN OPEN FIRE—CONVICTS ARE KILLED.

NATCHEZ, Miss., June 20.—Four men are dead and one perhaps fatally injured, as the result of an attempt of three life term convicts to escape from the Angola, La., convict farm. The dead are: Captain J. W. Block, foreman of the State convict sawmill; John Singleton, convict; Bird, convict; and Dutch, convict. The wounded man is Guard J. W. Gibson, shot in the liver. All the convicts were working in the sawmill.

This morning at 9 o'clock, while Block was reading a paper, Singleton, Dutch and Bird started to escape. The attention of Gibson was attracted and he opened fire. Singleton returned the fire hitting Gibson. As Gibson fell Bird secured his revolver. Compelling Block to accompany them, the convicts started toward the river and placed their captive in a skiff when they were fired on by a trusty named Deleth. Singleton then shot and killed Block. Guard Ogdren joined Deleth and a fusillade of shots followed, in which the three convicts were killed.

### ACQUIT SOCIETY WOMAN. Charged With Murder of Her Husband—Goes to Prison.

PARIS, June 20.—Mme. Canaby, the Bordeaux society leader, who was charged with attempting to murder her husband, was sentenced this week to 15 months' imprisonment for forging prescriptions to obtain poisons. She was acquitted on the charge of attempted murder.

The court was crowded to overflowing and there was a manifestation of sympathy with Mme. Canaby. Popular feeling has all along been against the judge, whose conduct was deemed unfair, and when Mme. Canaby appeared several voices cried out: "Here she is again for you to torture!"

Mme. Canaby, who was dressed in black, was manifestly very ill. She walked slowly, and with evident pain, and difficulty in breathing caused her great distress.

The lawyer for the defense was greeted with cheers when he arose, and during his eloquent speech Mme. Canaby was so affected that she fainted three times.

### VIOLENT WIND STORM.

CHICAGO, June 20.—A violent wind, rain and hail storm fatally injured one person and four persons slightly, and damaged the Illinois Steel Company's plant \$150,000 this afternoon.

### PORTLAND STILL STRANDED.

Barkentine Resists All Efforts to Dislodge Her From Sands of Hueneme.

VENTURA, Cal., June 20.—The barkentine Portland still lies in the sands off Hueneme Point. Every effort to dislodge her is futile. None of the sailors have been ashore at Hueneme, and no information can be gained. The vessel today has listed badly to the north and she seems filled with water. The tug Warrior left last night and it is thought has gone for assistance.

### KILLED BY ROCK.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., June 20.—Fred Phillips, a miner, was killed by a falling rock at the Musick mine Monday night. Phillips had gone in after a shot to pick down the loose rock and loosened a rock in the top. He warned the men working near him, but in getting away himself slipped and was caught by the falling rock. Phillips came to the mine a few days ago, and nothing is known of his family except that his people live at Kirby and have been notified.

### MALHEUR WOOL STORED.

ONTARIO, Ore., June 20.—There are at present 2,000,000 pounds of wool stored in the Malheur Mercantile Company's warehouses. A wool sale will be held June 26, and buyers from all over the coast are expected to attend.

### SETTLE SAILORS STRIKE BY MEANS OF ARBITRATION

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—In a letter addressed to the Sailors' Union and to the United Shipping & Transportation Association, Mayor Schmitz today suggested that the existing differences be submitted to arbitration. The sailors' union replied it would gladly do so. The communication reached the ship owners too late for consideration.

It will probably be taken up tomorrow. In communication the Mayor states he waited until all hope of settlement between the parties had failed before interfering. He calls attention to the irreparable harm being done the good name of the city and begs that both parties lay aside their private differences.

### PULAJANES ATTACK BURAEN

MANILA, June 20.—A band of 300 Pulajanes, under Caesario Pastor, attacked the town of Buraen, on the island of Leyte, yesterday, June 19, killing five policemen, wounding five and capturing the remainder of the force, except the lieutenant in command. Pastor, the Pulajanes leader, was killed during the encounter.

The attack occurred in the morning. The police were caught unawares, and their sentinel was rushed from his post. The bandits then entered the tribunal and a hand-to-hand fight took place. The police fought desperately, but were overcome by superior numbers. The loss of the Pulajanes is believed to have been great, but cannot be estimated, as they carried off their dead and wounded after the fight.

The municipal records were taken from the tribunal, piled in the street and burned. The destruction of these papers was one of the most serious phases of the raid, as they included deeds, license receipts, etc. The safe containing the town funds was not disturbed. The bandits carried away the arms of the police and a quantity of ammunition. A detachment of Constabulary, under Lieutenant Johnson, immediately started in pursuit.

At the time the raid was made, Provincial Governor Veera was in another part of the island, securing evidence wanted by the Pardon Commission to obtain the release of a prisoner in the Bilbilid penitentiary.

### WILL DEAL FAIRLY FEAR DESTRUCTION

Forty Nine Insurance Companies Say They Will Act Justly.

MANY HAVE NOT ANSWERED

Out of 150 Insurance Companies Only 49 Answer Mayor Schmitz and Governor Pardee Relative to Loss Adjustment

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Of 120 insurance companies to whom telegrams were sent by Mayor Schmitz and Governor Pardee calling upon them for some outline of their policy relative to the payment of insurance losses in this city, 49 have given answers. The majority content themselves with a general statement that they will deal fairly with the policy holders; that the claims against them will be settled equitably, and those insured can be confident of honorable and just treatment at their hands.

### PRESIDENT SENDS SYMPATHY.

NEW YORK, June 20.—A telegram from the President relative to the Jewish massacre in Russia was read tonight at a mass meeting of Jews in this city under the auspices of the United Hebrew community. The President in his message promised to go over the matter with Secretary Root and extended his sympathy at the shocking occurrences. "But," he concluded, "You know also, how well nigh impossible it is to accomplish anything, but harm by interference."

### POSTMASTER GETS RAISE.

ONTARIO, Ore., June 20.—Postmaster Sproul's salary has been raised from \$1600 to \$1700. Ontario has been promised a new postoffice by the department, which is badly needed, as over 2000 patrons are served at present, and the quarters now occupied are inadequate.

### KAISER IGNORES PRECEDENT.

BERLIN, June 20.—The court notes with surprise Emperor William's approaching visit to King Haakon of Norway as it is customary for a new sovereign to make the first visit. The probable reason for the step, it is pointed out, is that the emperor desires to set at rest the stories that he is opposed to King Haakon's election and wanted a grandson of King Oscar to be king of Norway.

Insurance Companies Wetch Price for Pictures.

OWNERS MIGHT BURN THEM

When Values of Pictures Fall Insurance Companies Fear Artist Might Burn Picture to Secure the Insurance.

LONDON, June 20.—The recent sharp fall in the case of the pictures of certain artists lately sold at public auction has by no means escaped the attention of the fire insurance companies. Some of them, but by no means all, appear to be in the habit of issuing valued policies in respect of pictures, and it is pointed out that if the worth of a painting can drop in the course of a few years from so many hundred to \$5 or \$10, there would be every inducement to the possessor of a painting by the artist to burn it as quickly as possible if he had a valued policy on it. Further, it is suggested that where there has been a slump in a particular artist's pictures, and they are the subject of valued policies, it might be worth anybody's while to buy up the supply, get the policies indorsed by him, and then leave the rest to fate.

It is, of course, not argued that auction vicissitudes in the matter of picture values necessarily lead to arson. Obviously there is the case of a picture protected by a valued policy of, say, \$2500, which may be today worth much more money. All that is said is that, in general, the issue of valued policies in the case of pictures is regarded as a mistake, as a rule, from a fire insurance company's point of view.

Public events are curiously reflected at the patent office. Nervous people were disquieted last year by the occurrence of more than one "tunnel mystery" and the number of inventors who wished to patent improvements in railway signaling went up 81 per cent for the year in consequence. There was a remarkable falling off in the applications for patents in respect of different methods of locomotion. Motor cars and cycles have had their day of evolution, and railways and tramways show signs of settling down once more to peace after stormy days of transformation, whilst the flying machine maker is evidently discouraged. The triumph of the incandescent mantle has turned inventive genius from electric light and brought it back to the earlier illuminants of gas and oil.

### SENATE ARGUES MEAT INSPECTION PROVISION

Procter, Beveridge and Lodge, Oppose Some Features of House Amendment--Warren Against Drastic Legislation--no Action Taken.

### PRESIDENT'S TRAVELING EXPENSES DISCUSSED

SENATE HOLDS FIRST NIGHT SESSION, AND DISCUSSES THE SUNDRY CIVIL BILL—PANAMA CANAL AGAIN SUBJECT OF CONSIDERATION—MORGAN SPEAKS FOR SEA-LEVEL TYPE AND PERKINS IN OPPOSITION.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The meat inspection provision of the agricultural bill today was made the subject of a discussion in the senate. The question came up on a motion by Procter to grant the conference requested by the house and speeches were made by Procter, Beveridge and Lodge against some of the features of the house amendment, and by Warren in opposition to the drastic legislation. Lodge took occasion to defend America's morals, saying they were quite as good as those of Europe. The bill went over without action. There were two speeches on the Panama canal today, one by Morgan in favor of the sea-level plan and the other by Perkins in opposition. The senate had its first night session, which was devoted to the sundry bill. This bill was reported by Hale. An amendment was adopted restoring \$25,000 for the Presi-

dent's traveling expenses, which had been cut out by the house. The senate committee struck out the house provision for a lock canal at Panama. Among the additions made to the bill by the senate committee are: Lighthouses, beacons and fog signals, \$1,270,000; gauging streams and determining the water supply by geological survey, \$300,000; preparation of a report of the mineral resources of the United States, \$25,000; continuation of the forest reserve survey, \$25,000.

An attempt was made at the night session by McLaurin to send the provision for the President's traveling expenses out on a point of order. Owing to the fact that a roll-call would develop a lack of a quorum, at the request of Hale, who was in charge of the bill, the matter went over until tomorrow.

### HE FELL; DIED FROM FRIGHT.

Workman's Blouse Caught on a Nail—Suspended Thirty Feet High.

ROME, June 20.—A curious accident happened recently in the Rue du Poiteau. A workman named Frauchet was repairing the spouting at the top of a house when he lost his balance and fell. As he fell his blouse caught on a nail in the wall, and he hung there suspended 30 feet from the ground. A ladder was quickly brought, and Frauchet rescued, but he was found to be dead.

The doctor who examined the body certified that he had been killed by fright.

### MESSAGE IN BOTTLE.

VICTORIA, June 20.—According to a dispatch tonight to the provincial police from Uclulut a bottle drifted ashore containing the message: "On a life raft 100 miles off Columbia Bay, John Moldren, alive. Come to my rescue. June 15, 1906." A life buoy marked "Louis of San Francisco" has drifted ashore at Long Beach.

### WILL OPEN SALOONS.

San Francisco Grog Shops Will Resume Business on July Fifth.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Saloons will be permitted to open on July 5th and for the first 10 days from 6 in the morning to 8 at night. After that, if the police commissioners so decide, they may keep open all night.

### WOMEN MAKE THREAT.

ST. PAUL, June 20.—A special to the Pioneer Press from Sioux Falls, S. D., says it developed tonight that between 50 and 100 society women held a meeting this afternoon and decided that if Mrs. Kauffman was not placed in jail after the conclusion of her hearing and was again allowed to occupy her home while in the custody of a sheriff, they would dynamite the handsome Kauffman house. They decided to do this and they claim, and as a result of their intentions becoming known to the authorities, Mrs. Kauffman was placed in jail.

### PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES AT TRONDHJEM

TRONDHJEM, June 20.—The event of today in connection with the preparations for the coronation of King Haakon was the arrival of the Prince and Princess of Wales on the British Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert conveyed by the British cruisers Juno and Talbot. British vessels entered the harbor late this afternoon and the Juno and Talbot fired a salute to which the Norwegian cruisers and shore batteries responded.

Later King Haakon and his suite visited the Royal Yacht. The meeting between the Prince of Wales and Queen Maud, his sister, was particularly sympathetic. At 6 o'clock the Prince and Princess of Wales went ashore, their departure from the Royal Yacht being the signal for another series of salutes. Their royalties were given an enthusiastic reception, and cheered while en route to the palace.